Disposal of Grazing Rights in "Terige" Lands in Amrut Mahal Kavals.

READ—

Correspondence ending with letter No. Roc. 2360 of 27-28, dated 7th December 1928, from the Director of Agriculture, submitting his opinion regarding the manner in which the grazing rights in the "terige" lands of the Amrut Mahal Kavals may be disposed of.

ORDER NO. D. 8192-8200—A. M. 48-27-5, DATED 13TH FEBRUARY 1929.

It has been brought to the notice of Government that the system of disposing of the grazing rights in "terige" lands in Amrut Mahal Kavals by auction has resulted in considerable hardship to the villagers in as much as the bids are unduly forced up through unhealthy rivalry or by moneyed persons who wish to profiteer. In order to remedy this state of affairs, the Director of Agriculture proposes that the right of grazing in such lands may in future be sold for a fixed sum, calculated on the basis of the average realisations of the previous five years, to the villagers or the Servegars, the former being given the first refusal. In case neither of them is willing to pay the required amount, he suggests that the right may be sold by auction as heretofore.

2. Government are pleased to approve the proposal of the Director.

3. Mr. H. Basavaiya, Member, Representative Assembly, Hassan, who brought up this subject for discussion at the Representative Assembly in June 1928, may be informed accordingly, by the Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District.

N. RAMA RAO,
Secretary to Government,
Development Departments.

LAW SECRETARIAT.

Reviews the Administration Report of the Police Department for the year 1927-28.

READ—

Letter No. Per. 73, dated 19th November 1928, from the Inspector-General of Police in Mysore, submitting a Report on the Administration of the Police Department during the year 1927-28 with the required statistics.

ORDER NO. P. 4506-16—POL. 178-28-2, DATED 15TH FEBRUARY 1929.

Recorded.

2. MR. S. HIRIANNAIYA, M.A., B.L., was in charge of the Department throughout the year under review.

3. *Principal Measures.*—Among the measures sanctioned during the year were the revision of the rules for punishment by black marks under Rule 137 of the Police Manual, the extension of certain provisions of section 56 of the Police Regulation to the towns of Bhadravati and Shiralkoppa in the Shimoga District, the transfer of the police jurisdiction over Hosdurga and Jagalur Taluks to the Assistant Superintendent of Police, Davangere, and the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug, respectively, the systematisation of the Malnad and Ghat Batta allowances, and the arrangement for the Assistant Superintendent of Police, Railways and C. I. D. supervising the special police staff employed for the prevention of the smuggling of sandalwood in Kolar and Bangalore Districts.

4. *Cognizable Offences.*—During the year, 8,029 cognizable offences of all classes or 123 cases more than in the previous year were reported to the Police. The increase was contributed mainly by the Districts of Kolar and Hassan and the Cities of Bangalore and Mysore, and the Railways. The largest increase was in the Bangalore City, *viz.*, by 344 cases, while the largest decrease was in the Shimoga District, *viz.*, by 201 cases. The improvement in this respect in the Kolar Gold Fields has been steady